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In my opinion, anything short of break-up is a slap on the wrist to Microsoft. This company has shown time and time again that it regards agreements with anyone -- including the government -- to be convenient mechanisms to serve itself while continuing to apply illegal pressure through monopolistic tactics against hardware vendors and engaging in inappropriate and illegal bundling to serve its own ends.

Microsoft's agreement to settlement is evidence enough that the settlement is toothless -- after all, this is a company that, to this day, has maintained that it has done nothing wrong, disagreeing with the finding of fact that it is a monopoly that has broken the law.

I oppose the proposed settlement agreement in its current form, and support the effort of the nine dissenting states. Look at what happened after the 1995 agreement. Microsoft immediately started to brag that it would not change their behavior one bit, and then immediately began to prove it.

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